

REMARKS

By this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, Applicants add new claims 83-91. Support for claims 83-91 can be found, for example, at least in Figs. 13A, 13B, 14A, 14B, 15A, and 15B, and the corresponding written description of those figures. No new matter has been added.

In presenting new claims 83-91, Applicants have copied claims from U.S. Application Publication No. 2002/0123698 A1, which published on September 5, 2002, and is assigned to Transvascular, Inc. ("the '698 publication"). More specifically, claims 83-86 are identical to claims 1, 2, 4, and 7 of the '698 publication and claims 87-91 are substantially similar to claims 8-10 and 14 of the '698 publication.

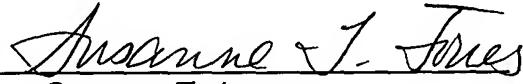
Claims 1-68 were canceled and claims 69-82 were added upon filing this application. Therefore, after entry of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, claims 69-91 will be pending.

Applicants respectfully request the examination of claims 69-91.  
If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment that is not otherwise provided for, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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